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of
THE BIBLE INSTITUTE



Launching Out For Christ

Luke 5:1-11

LAUNCHING without hesitation
Away from the peaceful shore,
Launching from harbor and safety
Through Reality's open door;
Launching with all shore-lines severed,
Eyes on the shining goal,
Ears for the call to service,
For the call of a needy soul.

OUT where the need is the greatest,
Out where peril is high,
Out where darkness is reigning,
Where warfare and conquest lie;
Out in the turbulent waters,
Facing the chaotic deep,
Out where life-guards are needed
To brave the storms that sweep.

FOR CHRIST who charts the vessel,
Whose compass has never failed,
The Captain of Old Ship O' Zion
That down through the years has sailed,
For Christ we'll labor to rescue,
The lost from depths of despair;
Then Christ will anchor us safely,
In the port He has gone to prepare.

—Margaret Bryan

We Present

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Dedication

There is fragrance in her daily life—there is sweet dignity about her character—there is encouragement in her words—there is inspiration in her vision, for Christ abides in her heart. Thus we admire Mrs. Smith and her beautiful life. For twenty years she has been an instructor at the Bible Institute, teaching Spanish, Greek, English and history. During this time she has been a patient and humble servant of our precious Lord. Year by year and day by day she has been helping and encouraging young Christians in their walk with Christ: young Christians who are "launching out for Christ."

In honor of these years of service for her Master, and because of the inspiration she has been to the students of these twenty years, we, the Class of 1946, take pleasure in dedicating this volume of the "Light Tower" to her. May the Lord continue to bless her richly.



MRS. E. IRENE SMITH



Under able

OUR
FLACULTY

leadership...



"Daddy" Ramseyer always had, as first administrator of the Bible Institute, one objective in view. This objective was the training and preparation of Christian young people for a vital place of service in the life of the world. Whether these young people were going to a foreign field or were staying in the homeland, he realized their need of a consecrated life, a life that was filled with the Holy Spirit of God. He has passed this objective on to those who have followed him, both administration and faculty.

It is with manifest joy that the student body is able to say that the present administration, faculty, and staff are striving in every way to see "Daddy" Ramseyer's objective carried out. Their joy is to see the students "grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ." Their desire is to be of service, in some small way, to the many scores of students whom the Lord leads to this campus; to help the young people who leave the Institute to "Launch Out For Christ" into the world, to take to mankind the great gift of God's love, salvation through Christ.

One finds the blessing of God resting upon a school only when there is a thoroughly Christian, Spirit-filled faculty and administration. The Bible Institute has this kind of a staff, for which the Lord is to be praised. The prayer of the "B. I." family is that such blessing might continue. Praise God for them all, and may they, as the years pass, see their objective realized, with all the students vitally serving mankind in many walks of life, all having the desire to see men saved through the shed blood of Jesus Christ.



The Administration Building





Our President

Rev. Safara A. Witmer

"That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death." Phil. 3:10.

Fort Wayne Bible Institute
Indiana University (Extension
Division)
Taylor University
Winona Lake School of Theology

Apologetics
Bible Exposition
Pedagogy

"Launching out" is as challenging as it is descriptive. It suggests both starting on a career and moving with force and swiftness. It lights up the only kind of response that is fitting to the call of Christ: "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." This invitation to engage in the great work of human redemption calls for a prompt and irrevocable decision. When first given to fishermen on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, there followed that kind of response: "And they straightway left their nets, and followed Him." That decision changed their lives and their careers. It gave to the world's Saviour the nucleus of a working force to carry forward His redemptive mission.

The challenge of Christ to youth today comes with fresh urgency. What the world needs is a force of Christian youth so utterly dedicated to Him that they will risk all in the greatest of all adventures, without hesitation or delay.





Our Dean

Rev. Jared F. Gerig

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." Matt. 6:33.

Fort Wayne Bible Institute
Indiana University
Cleveland Bible College
Fenn College
Arizona State College

Bible Exposition
Church History
Homiletics

There are various launchings upon many kinds of seas in the course of a life-time. A launching indicates the beginning of something, the leaving of a port, a departure from a base, a putting out to sea. For a vessel, it refers to sliding from the slip into the waters to be of service to man.

This is all meaningful symbolism. "Launching out for Christ" expresses not only a new beginning, a commencement, but also a continued activity. It is not only a launching, but a launching **out**; out where men are dying and need help. It means out of ourselves, out of our security, out of our softness; out to the ends of the earth to carry the message of hope to waiting souls. What is done out there is the acid test of the education we have received.

A true education must also instill a worthy objective. No apology is necessary when it is "for Christ" that we live and serve. Much of modern education has majored on self-advancement, how to be a success and get ahead. It is materialistic, earthbound, self-centered, and short-sighted. A true Bible education will aim high at living and working "for Christ."



Our Dean of Women

Helen Elizabeth Zorb

"This is my commandment that ye love one another, as I have loved you." John 15:12.

Butler Business College
Fort Wayne Bible Institute
Baltimore Lutheran Deaconess Motherhouse
and Training School

Deaconess Course

They were tired and discouraged. All night long they had labored and now Simon must say, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing." They were washing their nets making ready for the next night of work.

They were tired and discouraged, but they were ready fishermen, too. Their boats were on the shore and their nets were near at hand being cleaned and repaired; they themselves were ready to put out from the shore at the word of the Master. At His command they were ready to "Launch out into the deep" and let down their nets.

We, too, may have labored earnestly and long, but if we have run ahead of our Lord and have left Him behind, we have caught nothing; and the precious cargo of souls we would have brought home has not been found. The "fishers of men" have failed.

Let us be willing to wait, as these disciples waited in their boats, until Christ is finished speaking and ready to give the command, "Launch out into the deep." Then without hesitation let us rise and launch out for Christ to gather those souls that must know Him as their Saviour or be lost eternally!





Our Registrar

Rev. Benjamin F. Leightner

"This is the word of the Lord, 'Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts.'" Zech. 4:6.

Fort Wayne Bible Institute

Biblical Theology
Pastoral Theology
Bible Exposition

Four young fishermen had been disciples of Christ approximately a year, but were still living independent of His will. On one occasion they fished all night and caught nothing. Quitting, they began to clean their nets, but Jesus came on the scene. He desired these men for His service, but they needed first to recognize His lordship. He therefore commanded them saying, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a draught." Such a command must have seemed absurd to Peter and the other experienced fishermen. Just to prove to Him how futile such an effort would be, they let down the net; but it enclosed such "a great multitude of fishes" that it began to break. Seeing this, Peter fell submissively at the Saviour's feet, but Jesus said, "Fear not, from henceforth thou shalt catch men."

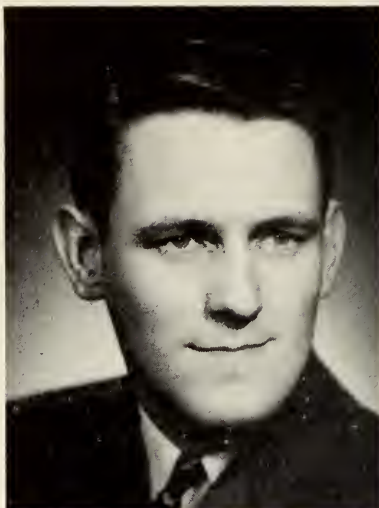
Many young men and women today are like these four disciples—saved, but living for self, independent of the will of God. Multitudes are perishing in the sea of sin for want of some one to go where they are to enclose them in the Gospel net. If you have sought to "fish" independent of His command, submit fully to Him and move according to His bidding. Efforts performed **at His word** are sure to bring satisfactory results.





LOYAL R. RINGENBERG

"O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and his ways past finding out." Rom. 11:33



CLARENCE HUFFMAN

"For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Rom. 8:38-9

Valley City State Teachers
Fort Wayne Bible Institute
Taylor University
Winona Lake School of
Theology

Bible
World's Religions
Philosophy



C. CRISTEL GOSSARD

"Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Phil. 3:13-14

Marion College
Northern Baptist Seminary

Old Testament
Personal Evangelism
Acts, Mark
Intertestament History





E. IRENE SMITH

"In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength."
Isa. 30:15



LILLIAN M. ZELLER

"Not by might, nor by power,
but by my Spirit, saith the
Lord of hosts." Zech. 4:5

Ohio Northern University
Boston University
School of Religious Education
Christian Education
Missions

Columbus Normal
Ohio State University
English
Greek
Spanish

Bowling Green State Normal
Nyack Missionary Institute
Indiana University
(Extension Division)
Librarian
English
Public Speaking





MARGUERITE S. STEINER

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee because he trusteth in Thee." Isa. 26:3



OLIVER E. STEINER

"If God be for us, who can be against us?" Romans 8:31



C. A. GERBER

"And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work." II Cor. 9:8

Bluffton College
Fort Wayne Bible Institute
Bob Jones College
Northwestern University

Piano

Fort Wayne Bible Institute
Bluffton College
Ohio State University
Northwestern University

Voice
Theory of Music
Brass Instruments
Chorus





ROBERT L. PFUNDSTEIN

"The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad." Psalm 126:3



KATHLEEN WITMER BUSWELL

"The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me." Isa. 138:8a

Moody Bible Institute
American Conservatory

Theory of Music
Voice
Chorus
Conducting

Wheaton College
Shurtleff College
Denison University
Northwestern University
University of Miami
St. Paul Bible Institute
Nyack Missionary Training
Institute

Theory of Music
Piano
Organ

Julliard Summer School
Denver Summer School
Wheaton College
Fort Wayne Bible Institute
Piano





OLGA AMELIA HVIZDAK

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16



ESTHER H. EHRLMAN

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters." Psalm 23: 1, 2



GERTRUDE SCHOLL

"The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him." Psalm 28:7

Capitol University
Muskingum College
Valparaiso University

Piano

Nursing School Lutheran
Hospital, Fort Wayne

Red Cross First Aid





REV. H. E. WISWELL

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad." II Cor. 5:10

Normal School, Berlin
Normal School, Paris
French

Fort Wayne Bible Institute
Marion College
Winona Lake School of
Theology

Homiletics
Psychology





P. L. EICHER
Business Manager

"For I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. II Tim. 1:12



JOHN OYER
Assistant

"There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." Rom. 8:1



CARL I. PARLEE
Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." Isa. 40:31

LOUISE WENGER
Hostess of Providence Hall

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord." I Cor. 15:58

H. RUTH YOUNG
Hostess of the Administration Building

"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4:13

Office Staff





MRS. J. E. RAMSEYER

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose." Rom. 8:28



MRS. B. P. LUGIBIHL

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." I Sam. 7:12

*and
Supervisors*

ADA M. SMITH

Laundress

"Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart." Psa. 37:4

LEE TRAVER

Chief Cook

"Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matt. 11:28

DOROTHY L. ROTHFUSS

Hostess of Dining Hall

"Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not." Jer. 33:3





JANE BEDSWORTH

Secretary to Registrar

"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty." Psa. 91:1



M. LUELLA MILLER

Stenographer and Typist

"The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in Him." Nahum 1:7

WAUNETA SHOUP

Secretary to the President

"That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death." Phil. 3:10

PEARL WOODWARD

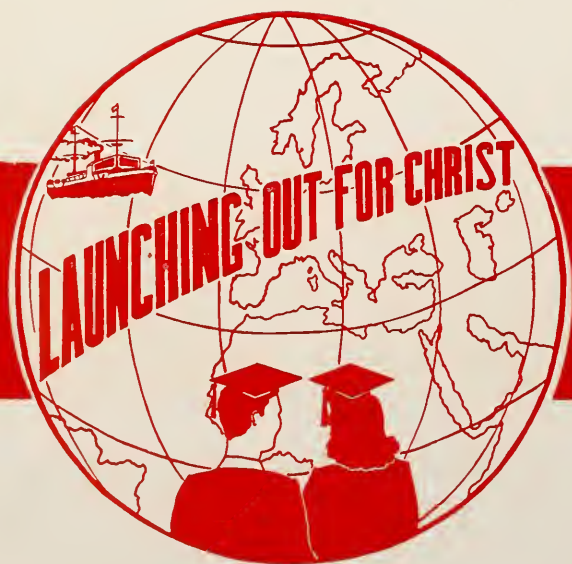
Bookkeeper

"For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly." Psa. 84:11





. Student Supervisors



In faithful

OUR STUDY

study . . .



God gives unto mankind a clarion call: "Follow me." Some men follow, others go their own way, the way of death. Over the years great multitudes have responded affirmatively to Christ's call, and of these multitudes, the Lord has led many to the halls of the Fort Wayne Bible Institute. To this throng, following has meant more than nominal service. It has meant sacrificial living; it has meant self-giving; it has meant being a firebrand for Christ; it has meant burning out for the Master they serve.

Service of this type is pleasing to the Lord, and it is this type of service that the present student body is endeavoring to give to their Master. The underclassmen have one, two, or more years of training to enjoy before entering fully upon their life's work. The seniors are deemed ready to go into that work immediately, and as they begin they have going with them the best wishes of everyone. They have been in training for the required time, and are now "Launching Out for Christ."

"Daddy" Ramseyer's objective is being realized again, the objective of training and preparing Christian young people for a vital place of service in the life of the world. As they are trained and as they go, they serve Christ in the work of bringing men to Him.



Bethany Hall The Dormitories

Souls are dying in the sea of sin. The turbulent, raging waters are bringing many to death and destruction. Unless more Christians throw out the life-lines or man the life-boats, these souls will perish.

We, the class of '46 have finished our training, with Mr. Gerig at the helm as class advisor. As we go out from "B. I.," it is to rescue these dying souls before it is too late. With Christ as Captain on our boat, we are launching out into the deep. As "fishers of men" we are letting down our nets to catch men. Whether going to South America, Africa, or any other part of the world, or remaining in the United States, we follow Christ as Captain and Pilot. Trusting that we shall be used to reach many with the help of the great Captain of our salvation, we go forth praising the Lord for His guidance, strength, and blessing.

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JOHN H. CADDY
President

Academic Theological

*Courageously facing
the troubled waters.*



CHARLES E. McHATTON

Vice President

Standard Theological

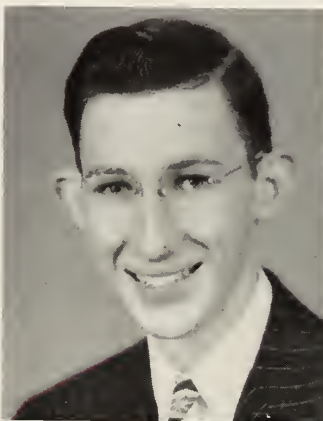
*Fearlessly and faithfully he throws
out the life-line.*

CHLOETTA E. EGLY

Secretary

Standard Christian Education

*Efficient and willing to serve
at her post.*



LYNDELL C. CASH

Treasurer

Standard Theological

*He inspires the crew by his musical
talent.*



JAKE HOSTETLER

Chaplain

Std. Theological

Std. Missionary

*Firmly anchored
to face the storms.*



WILLIAM BODINE

Standard Theological
Willingly he cuts the shore lines.

EILEEN BOSSARD

Standard Missionary
Her sails are set for an African port.



ROSE OLENE BOWER

Standard Missionary
She has no fear, for her Captain is near.

MARGARET K. BRYAN

2-year Bible Music
In faith sailing uncharted seas.

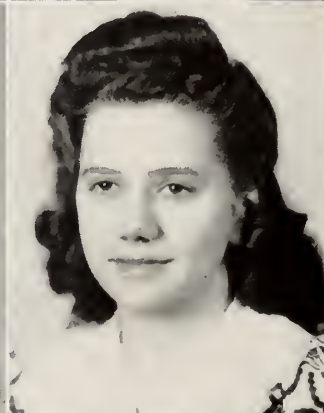


HELEN BURLEY

Academic Missionary
Her faith is in the Master of the tempest.

MRS. JOHN CADDY

2-year Bible Music
Come storm or flood, she trusts in God.



RUTH CLAY

2-year Bible Music
Devoted to the Captain, she follows at His call.

JAMES E. GEAHLEN

Standard Missionary
Anxiously he anticipates full-time service.



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BETTY GOOLSBY

2-year Bible Music

Eager to launch into soul-winning service.

IRENE HIRSCHY

Standard Christian Education
Her concern is to rescue children from sin.



K. L. KERLIN

Academic Theological

Anxious to warn the souls who are drifting.

DRUSILLA LUGIBIHL

2-year Bible Music

Obstacles become a challenge to her.



DOROTHY E. MARKHAM

Standard Missionary

The sweetness of her personality is refreshing to her comrades.

MARGIE E. McDOWELL

Standard Missionary

Submissive to the Captain's orders.



BERNICE EMALINE OSER

Academic Missionary

When sailing is rough, the Lord is enough.

HAZEL NAOMI SHOUP

Standard Missionary

Her faith is manifested by the calmness of her spirit.



MRS. FRANCES R. SHISLER

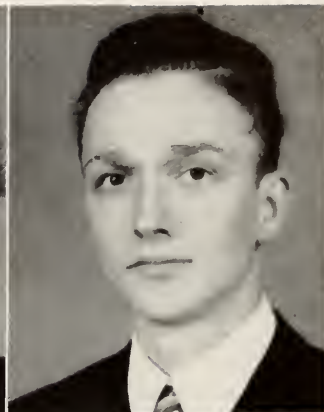
Standard Missionary

*In faith and courage she strengthens
her comrades.*

JOSEPH SHISLER

Standard Missionary

*Sincerely endeavoring to res-
cue souls from the sea of sin.*



ARWILDA SHOWALTER

2-year Bible Music

*Her desire is to find her task and
accomplish it.*

DAVID F. SIEMENS, JR.

Standard Theological

*His efficiency plus God's suf-
ficiency will make a success-
ful voyage.*



MARY E. SLABAUGH

Standard Christian Education

*She has the cry of the lost burning
on her heart.*

GENEVIEVE SMITH

Standard Missionary

*Quietly but sweetly her life
reflects the Master.*



IRA GENE STEINER

Academic Theological

*Awaiting the opportunity to send
out a Life Boat.*

LOUIS STRAHM

Standard Theological

Standard Missionary

*A voluntary Life-guard with
a vision of the lost.*



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MRS. ZOE L. SURBROOK

Standard Christian Education
Zeal plus initiative makes her service effective.

BURCH H. SURBROOK

Academic Theological
*With his faith in the Captain
 he hastens to the rescue.*

KATHLEEN THOMASHESKY

Standard Missionary
Prayerfully she lives for the Master.

BONITA COLEEN TUCKER

2-year Bible Music
*Her praises shall echo across
 the deep.*

PAULINE L. WANNER

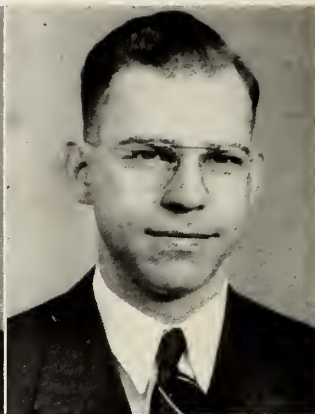
Standard Missionary
By the Pilot's side, she fears no tide.

ING-MARY WECKSELL

Advanced Theological
*Ability plus loyalty makes a
 good ship's mate.*

ILVA YODER

Standard Missionary
*Diligence and sincerity char-
 acterize her labor.*





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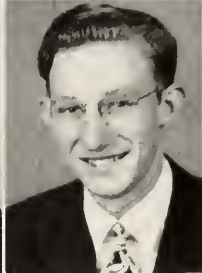
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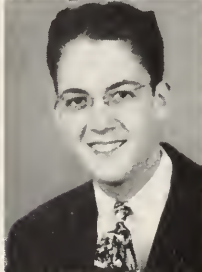
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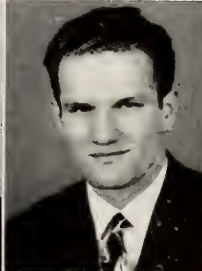
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Loren David Randall

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Thelma Schmidt

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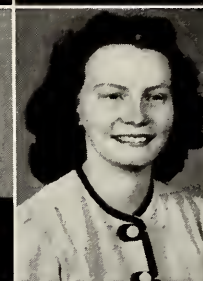
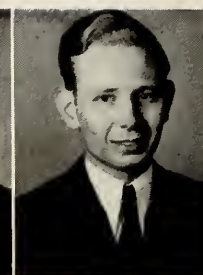
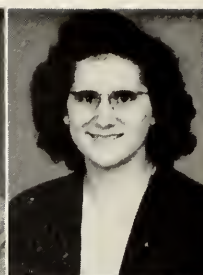
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Eugene R. Sims

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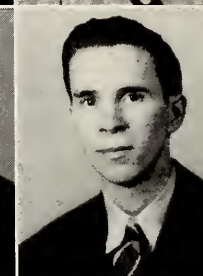
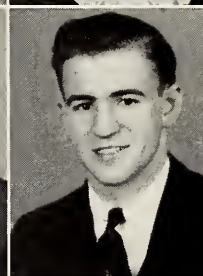
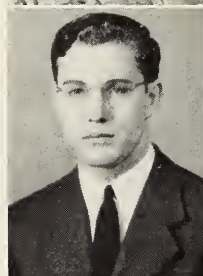
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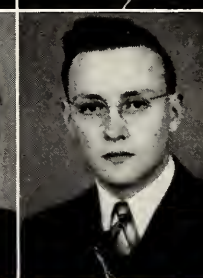
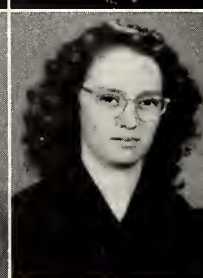
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Ralph Wolford

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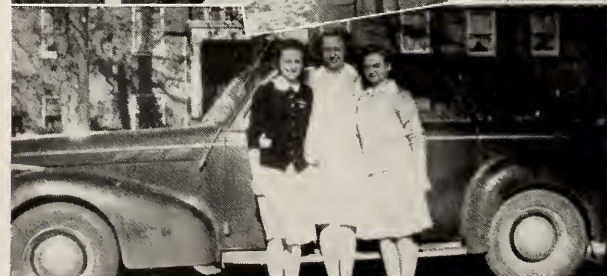
Mrs. Betty Sims

Standard Missionary



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Delores Baird, Iyla J. Duncan, Marceille Gross, Elvin Jones, Edna Lohr, Margaret Packer, Rudy Rieker, Lois Schwendener, Barbara Shoup, Carol Smith, Olga Soroczak, Clara Lou Stucky, Irene Walker, Mrs. Alice Weber, Clarence Whaley, Dorothy Wormley



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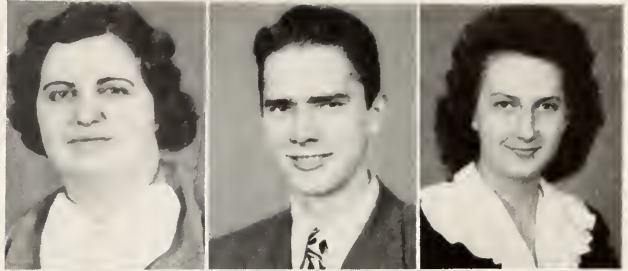
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Norma Bedsworth

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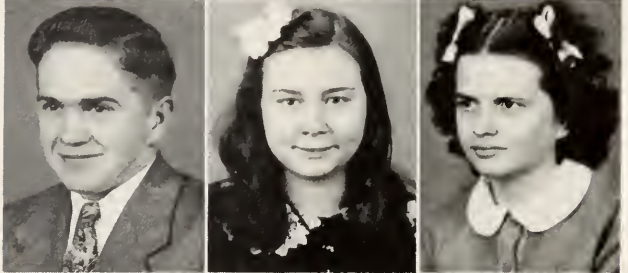
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Standard Missionary

Pauline Berg

Standard Christian Education



Nila Bossard

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Sarah Irene Brown

Standard Missionary

Nona Butler

Standard Bible Music



James W. Cannon

Standard Theological

Mrs. Doyle R. Carpenter

Standard Missionary

Doyle R. Carpenter

Standard Missionary



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Gladys Cate

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Harold E. Crall

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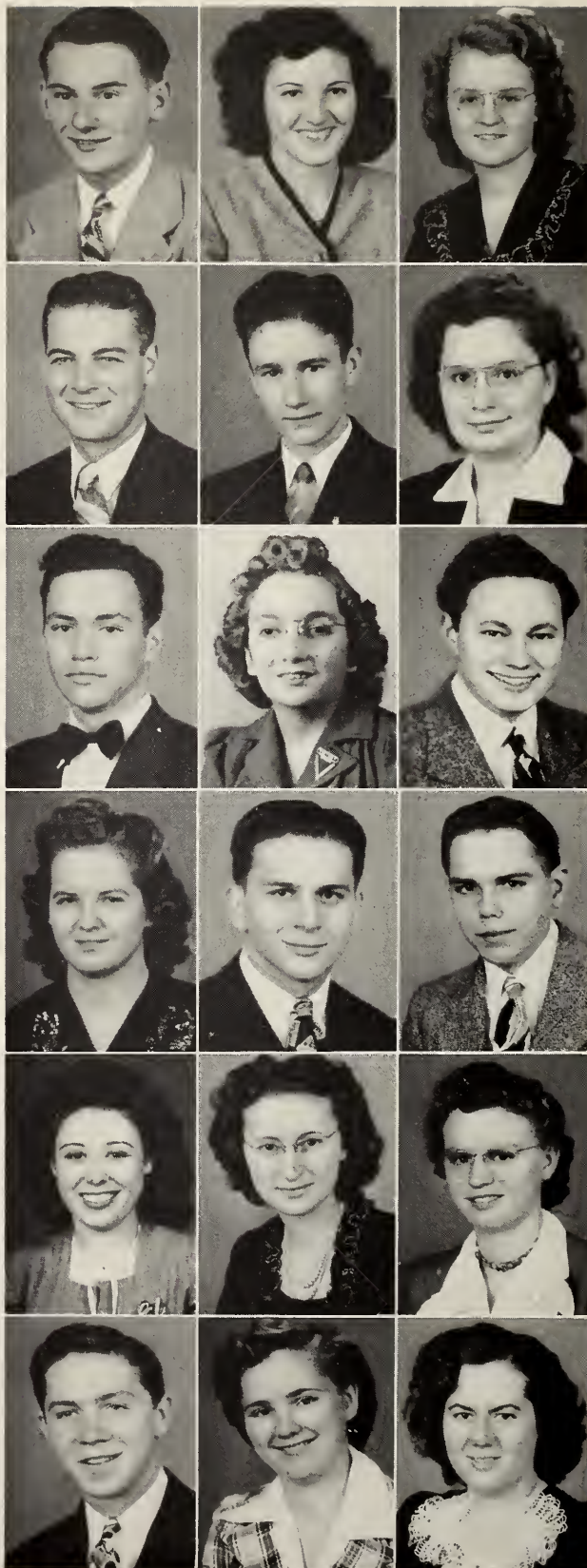
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Mrs. Elna I. Persons
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Frances Prough
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Faythe Ringenberg
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Francis M. Smith

Two-year Bible Music

Barney Snowdon

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Letha Snyder

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Delmar Stalter

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Pauline Stewart

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Betty Stucky

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June A. Swaback

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Virginia T. Thomas

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Martha Wallace

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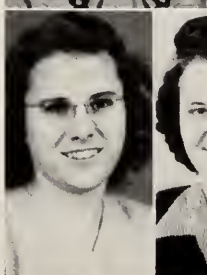
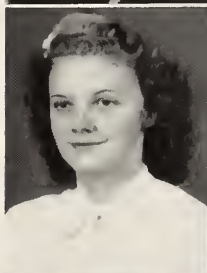
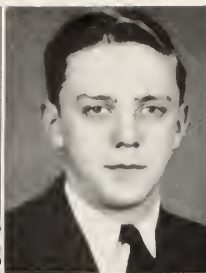
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LeRoy Caddy

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Velma Dorcas

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Irma R. Dyck

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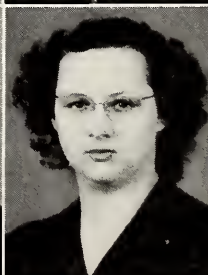
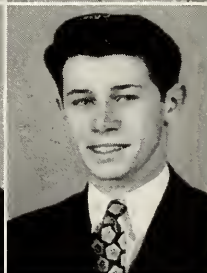
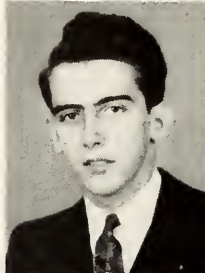
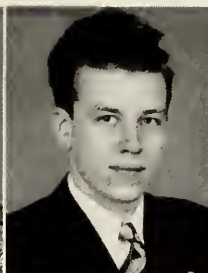
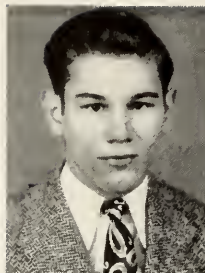
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Specials

Mrs. Lillie Bodine

Music

Arlene Greenlee

Bible and Music

Mary Jane Greenlee

Bible and Music

Arlene Guilliat

Bible and Music

Lillian I. Horton

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Elsie Hoover

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Esther M. Hoover

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Carolyn Jane Krohn

Bible

Mrs. Kathryn Ledyard

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Gleason Ledyard

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Alberta J. Peters

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Frances Reinders

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Mrs. Grace I. Reichow

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Mary Schumm

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Dorothy I. Smith

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Mrs. Shirlee Williams

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Mrs. Darlene Neuenschwander, Rev. Eli
Oyer, Marguerite Spuller, Mrs. Meda
Whaley, Mrs. Ida Belle Williams, Pearle
Woodward, Evanna M. Yoder



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Mary Elizabeth Dickman

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Isabelle Emrick

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Clarence R. Fair

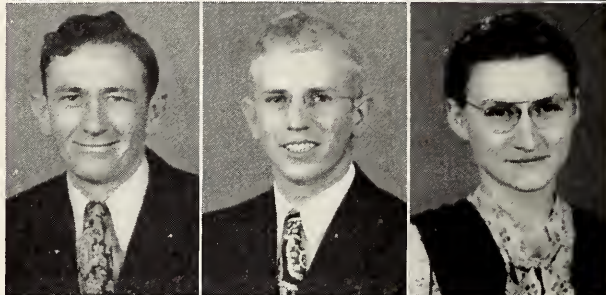
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Garret den Hartog

Advanced Theological

Dora Heltzel

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Earnest W. Hummer

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Mrs. Marian Pasma

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Gerald Pasma

Academic Theological



Constance E. Rockwell

Special Bible

Carl Royce

Standard Theological

Nile Sawmiller

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Royal Steiner

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Daniel Vaccarelli

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Geraldine Wagner

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Evangeline Witmer

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Census of Student Body

Church Affiliations

Baptist	-	-	-	-	-	17	Mennonite (Defenseless)	-	-	5
Christian	-	-	-	-	-	3	Methodist	-	-	21
Christian Congregational	-	-	-	-	-	1	Missionary Church Association	-	-	116
Christian and Missionary Alliance	-	-	-	-	-	20	Mission Covenant	-	-	1
Christian Union	-	-	-	-	-	6	Nazarene	-	-	4
Church of the Brethren	-	-	-	-	-	1	Pentecostal	-	-	1
Church of Christ	-	-	-	-	-	2	Pilgrim Holiness	-	-	3
Church of God	-	-	-	-	-	2	Presbyterian	-	-	1
Congregational	-	-	-	-	-	2	Reformed	-	-	1
Evangelical	-	-	-	-	-	7	Salvation Army	-	-	2
Evangelical, Free	-	-	-	-	-	1	Tabernacle and Independent Churches	-	-	17
Friends	-	-	-	-	-	3	United Brethren	-	-	11
Mennonite Brethren in Christ	-	-	-	-	-	32	No church affiliation	-	-	20
Mennonite (Conference)	-	-	-	-	-	8				

Enrollment by States

Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	8	Michigan	-	-	-	-	73
California	-	-	-	-	-	7	Nebraska	-	-	-	-	4
Illinois	-	-	-	-	-	21	New York	-	-	-	-	1
Indiana	-	-	-	-	-	99	North Dakota	-	-	-	-	1
Iowa	-	-	-	-	-	6	Ohio	-	-	-	-	57
Kansas	-	-	-	-	-	7	Oregon	-	-	-	-	1
Kentucky	-	-	-	-	-	1	Pennsylvania	-	-	-	-	11
Maryland	-	-	-	-	-	1	Washington	-	-	-	-	1
							Wisconsin	-	-	-	-	2

Total enrollment of resident students	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	306
Students in the department of Extension Study	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	96

Our Summer School

The campus of the Bible Institute and surrounding places of beauty make this an ideal site for summer school study, as well as recreation and relaxation. There are many beautiful trees and shrubs on the campus itself; and Foster Park, on the banks of the St. Mary's River, nearby, gives added incentive to spend the summer here. Many young people chose to spend their vacation months in study in these beautiful natural surroundings.

Those coming for the summer school at "B. I." were offered three classes in each session. In the four week terms the subjects taught were Bible doctrine and church history in the morning and typology in the evening. In addition to these, private instruction in voice and piano were available to those who desired it.

Due to the fact that the enrollment was smaller than during the regular term, it was possible for each student to take part more in the class discussions. The regular morning chapel service was also a bit more valuable, for the smaller group made the messages of faculty members or visiting speakers seem more personal.

The testimony of those who attended Summer School is that they received great spiritual benefits from it. These benefits came through the study of God's Word under the instruction of consecrated servants of God, as well as from the general Christian atmosphere which pervaded the campus.











In practical

OUR SUMMER VACATION CAMP

training . . .



Jesus sat in a boat, teaching the throng that had pressed upon Him. After His talk to the people and to the disciples then present, Jesus turned to Peter with an odd request, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a draught." Luke 5:4. This the disciples did, though they were skeptical, as the labor of the night just past had ended in failure. But now they went out with the Master, following a time of instruction from and fellowship with Him. Success was theirs this time, and they gave Christ the glory for it.

As we see this situation, we see not only the few disciples of that day, but we see also God's children of today, especially the students of the Fort Wayne Bible Institute. Like the disciples, they pressed around Jesus to learn of Him. After close fellowship with Him, and after receiving His instruction through the faculty of the Institute, the students are seen "Launching Out for Christ." They are letting down their nets to catch men.

These student fishermen are always busy during the school year. Sometimes they are "fishing for men" right on the campus, at Youth Conference or Mission Band. Again they are found in the city of Fort Wayne, at street meetings, or giving out tracts or "New Life" booklets. Another time they are busy in the vicinity of Fort Wayne, serving as student pastors or working as Gospel Teams, taking song and sermon to needy men. Still again these same "fishers of men" are praying for "the regions beyond" or giving to the support of those serving there.

All of this service is preparation for greater service when these same fishermen shall have entered the larger field God has for them. But until they go on to greater work they shall continue to praise Him here and now for the souls God has saved through their efforts.



Founders Memorial

Mission Band

One of the highlights of the Bible Institute's activities is the Students' Mission Band. Each Friday evening the students gather in the chapel for the weekly Mission Band Service. We have witnessed the gracious blessing of God upon these services during the past year; for Satan has been defeated, and many victories have been won for the Lord at the altar of prayer.

Our missionary vision has been enlarged and our hearts have been greatly challenged by the inspiring messages given by laborers from many of the needy fields of the world. The challenge and responsibility of reaching the last unreached tribe with the Gospel lies heavily upon us. Especially is this true in the light of the speedy return of our Lord, who said: "I must work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work." So we must work, and work diligently, because we believe we are living at the sunset of the day. Great opportunities present themselves today, for tomorrow never comes.

This year the Mission Band assumed the full financial support of a missionary on the field—Miss Leona Lehner, a servant of the Lord in Ecuador, South America. We pray that God will greatly bless her and use her to win precious souls to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

The Mission Band prayer is:

"Lord, give a vision, burning within,
Of sinners dying, lost in their sin.
We've a commission, Jesus to preach.
I'll do my part, Lord, others to reach."



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Orchestra



Jerusalem

The Messiah

December 16 marked the second annual presentation of Handel's famous oratorio, "The Messiah," by the Special Chorus in Founders Memorial.

This student chorus of over one hundred voices was under the direction of Prof. Oliver Steiner, with Mrs. Steiner at the piano and Prof. Robert Pfundstein at the console of the organ. The soloists were: Soprano, Helen Limbert, Fort Wayne, Indiana; Alto, Julia Lehman Beitler, Berne, Indiana; Tenor, Carlton Eldridge, Lansing, Michigan; Baritone, Paul Fuller, Lansing, Michigan.

As members of the chorus, we found the two classes a week to be more than meeting a requirement; each rehearsal being beneficial, both educationally and spiritually. The lessons learned in tonality and expression were practical and very valuable to those preparing for public Christian service. As members of the class we express our appreciation, first, to our director, whose patience and instruction made hard work a pleasure. Second, we are grateful to the artist who gave us this incomparable oratorio. It opens by bringing the rays of prophecy beautifully into the full light of reality, and leaves us with the triumphant strain of the glorious return and eternal reign of the Messiah. But most of all, we greatly appreciate the Person of the Messiah Himself, Who graciously blessed as we lifted those words of announcement: "His name shall be called, Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace."





Youth Conference

Rev. Dwight L. Niswander of Lima, Ohio, opened the Sixth Annual Youth Conference on October 19, 1945, by the introduction of the theme chorus, "Jesus, What a Precious Friend." Through Rev. Niswander's able direction and in his solos as well, the spirit of praise was prominent in all the services.

Rev. Walter W. Arnold, recently returned from the Ivory Coast, Africa, gave to the whole conference a strong missionary emphasis. His discussion group on Saturday morning was greatly appreciated and highly practical, for there the problem "Who makes a good missionary?" was brought to the foreground. In the Saturday and Sunday afternoon services, at which Rev. Arnold spoke, many young people received a challenge and gave themselves to the Lord in full consecration, to go or to stay in any part of the world, as the Lord directs.

Rev. Elmer D. Piper of Chattanooga, Tennessee, gave the evangelistic addresses which highlighted the Conference. Having been a pastor before becoming a member of "The Fuller Evangelistic Foundation," Rev. Piper knows how to meet the problems of modern youth. His dynamic, Christ-centered messages were a real source of encouragement and blessing to all who were privileged to hear them.

At this, the Sixth Annual Youth Conference, young people were saved and many others gave themselves to the Lord in complete consecration. To Christ we ascribe all the praise for these victories that were won. Praise the Lord for His faithfulness.

Street Meeting

"What time did you say that special trolley leaves?" "Hurry or we'll be late!" "Are you going to street meeting tonight?" "Who's to give the special music?" "Did you buy tokens in the office?" Such remarks as these may be heard anywhere around the dorm on Saturday or Sunday evenings when the weather is good, for one of our favorite methods of spreading the Gospel is by holding street meetings. These meetings are planned and supervised by Mr. Huffman and a student committee.

At 7:30 on Saturday evening and 7:45 on Sunday evening a large group of the students gather on Transfer Corner in the shelter of the Courthouse to sing and tell the Gospel story. Each meeting starts with group singing followed by prayer and testimonies. One of the students brings a message, short and to the point, in which the listeners are exhorted to receive Christ as Saviour. One of the high points of the meeting, to which many stop to listen, is the special music given by a trio or quartet from the student body.

Not the least of the activities is the handing out of tracts. A corps of students is divided among the four corners, each well supplied with tracts. The average number given out is about 3,000 each evening.

When the program is over we board the first No. 4 trolley and sing the praises of Christ till we reach the school, where we thank Him for an evening well spent in His service.



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New Life

We are firm in the belief that there is only one way to be saved, and that one way is through the shed blood and resurrected life of Jesus Christ. With this in mind, the Fort Wayne Bible Institute, aided by other Christians, has published a booklet entitled "New Life." This booklet contains a statement of the experiences of Christians prominent in various spheres of life, biblical statements on salvation, a concise statement on "How to be saved," an appeal to do it immediately, a section on knowing you are saved, and "How to live the Christian Life."

Ten teams are working in the city of Fort Wayne to present a copy of "New Life" to each home in the city. The girls present the booklet with the request that it be read. As the Lord opens the door to a home, the girls do personal work to win the souls in that home for Christ. The Lord has been blessing this work and many have been the evidences of hungry hearts and the opportunities for winning others to Christ.



Tract Team

On Saturday evenings one finds about a dozen men of the Institute distributing tracts in about one hundred beer gardens and bowling alleys of the city of Fort Wayne. The men are assigned to this work by the Practical Work Committee. In addition to the tract distribution on Saturday evenings, racks are maintained in several of the hotels, restaurants, and railroad stations.

By tract work in its two phases, the members of the Team are privileged to give out about 3500 tracts weekly. Many are the contacts made and the opportunities opened for witnessing. Eternity alone will reveal the true worth of this work, for the Lord has said that His Word will not return unto Him void.



Judea

Child Evangelism

The teachers of Child Evangelism classes, which classes have an average weekly attendance of about 175 children, feel that theirs is a great responsibility and privilege. Many of the children taught come from homes where there has been little or no teaching of the Word of God, and often they hear the story of Jesus for the first time.

The teachers are under the direct supervision of the International Child Evangelism Fellowship, and use their course of Bible study, which is entitled, "Egypt to Canaan." The daily prayer of the leaders is that the love of God shall warm the young hearts of the children and bring them into a genuine experience of salvation; and their deepest desire is that these lives shall be yielded completely to God for future service to Him. "Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God." Luke 18:16b.



Sunday School Teachers

The Fort Wayne area offers many opportunities for Gospel ministries. Among these are opportunities to teach Sunday School classes of various age groups in the missions and churches of different denominations. Twenty-one of the students minister in this capacity as part of their Practical Christian Training and many churches of the city have a real need met in the teaching of their classes.



This training affords good experience and also gives the students a responsibility for those to whom they minister. Many of the lessons learned in the class room can be used in this practical way. This gives a motive for thorough study of God's Word, and the students feel constrained to share their knowledge with others.

The fact that some Sunday School pupils have given their lives to the Master as a result of these students' efforts proves the value of this ministry.



Gospel Teams

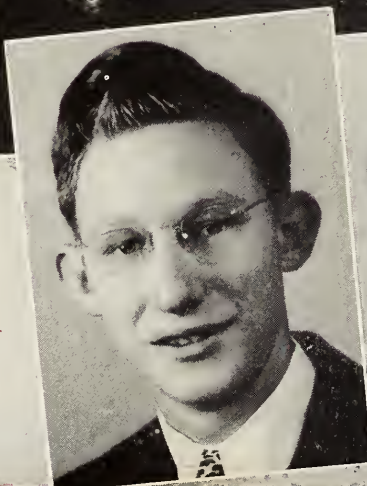


Brass Quartet

Randall, Randall
Overhulser, Dickinson

The Gospel in Art

Glenn McHatton



The Field in Pictures

Charles Joder

The Bible Institute cherishes the fine spirit of fellowship which it sustains with so many pastors of various denominations through its Gospel Team ministry. This phase of student ministry has grown in extent each year and it has afforded mutual blessing to students and to thousands to whom they have ministered. The teams go out organized to conduct such services as weekend revivals, rally day services, missionary programs, and youth conferences, and to assist in any of the regular services of the churches. They depend upon the Spirit in practice, in preparation, and in the performance of all services. In consequence, God has graciously given the fruitage of "New Born" souls for the Kingdom.



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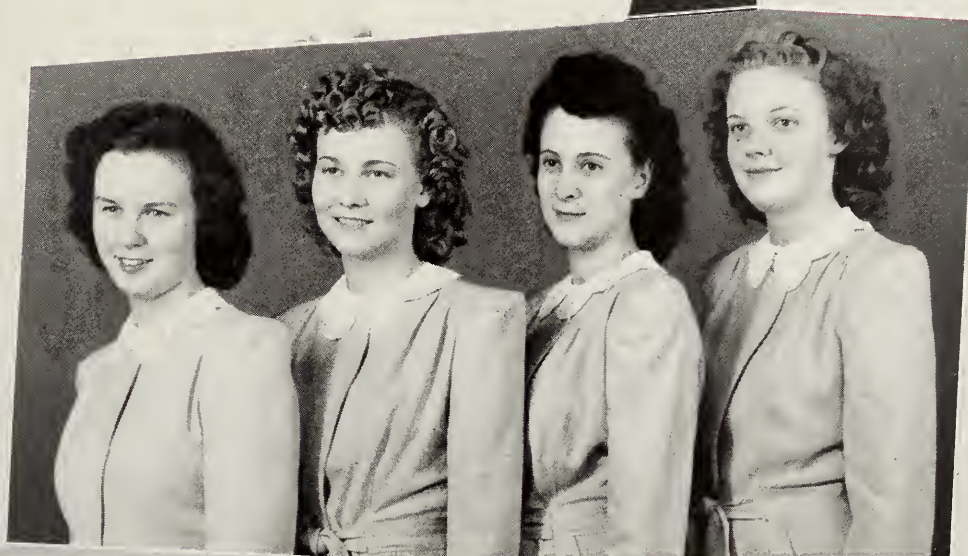
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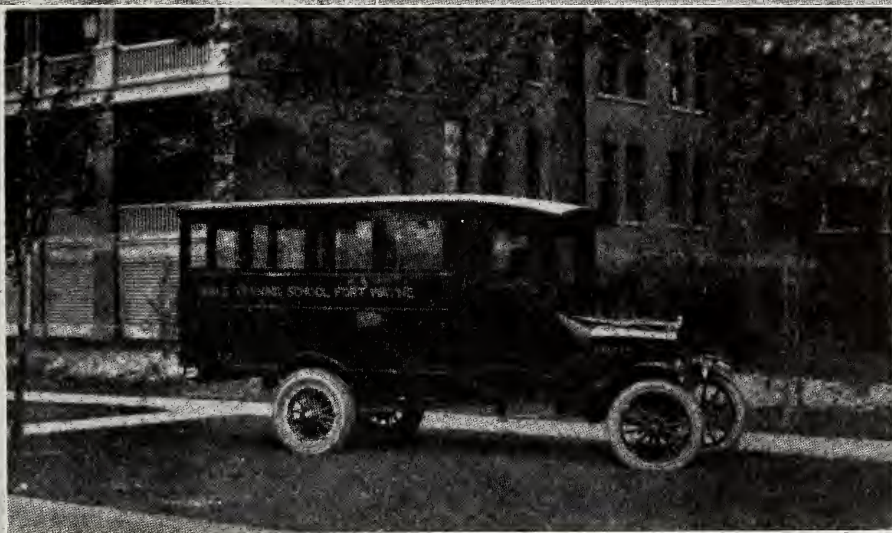
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Ringenberg
G. Gerig
Caddy



Then
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Now



The Glee Clubs





The Flying Club

Jesus has commissioned His children to take the Gospel to those who have never heard, but the work is far from being completed. The bicycle, canoe, ricksha, and other such vehicles have had their day, and to some extent must still be used. Today the same challenge faces God's people, but under vastly different circumstances, especially in regard to travel and communication. But if the last request of the Lord is to be carried out, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel," means of travel comparable to this age will have to be used. That means the use of aircraft.

In recent years students of the Bible Institute have become interested in using aircraft in missionary work and because of this interest, the Missionary Airmen's Fellowship was formed. The purpose of this Fellowship is to train prospective missionary candidates in the theory of aerodynamics and in actual flight training. At the weekly meetings the members discuss problems pertaining to aviation. When school work is up to par the members go out to the municipal airport and take advantage of the low rates of the airplane which the Fellowship has leased.

It is the desire of every member of the Fellowship to use aircraft in speeding the Light to those who have never heard.



Student Pastors

Another important field in God's vineyard is the work of the local pastorates surrounding the Bible Institute. "Training for service, and service in training," surely holds true for ten young men who are student pastors. Sent from the Institute, they regularly feed their flocks which represent seven denominations covering a radius of approximately thirty-five miles.

These men carry a full load of class work and study along with the work of the pastorate. Already they realize that the only person within the church who cannot take his problems to the pastor is the pastor himself. Yet such sayings as, "It's good to be in service for Him," and "Serving others in behalf of Jesus Christ is my greatest blessing," characterize the attitudes of these men as they serve while in training.



5 O'clock Prayer Meeting

At the Five O'clock Missionary Prayer Meetings the students press to the heart of God the needs of the mission fields throughout the world. On Monday evening the fields represented are Mexico, the West Indies, and Central and South America; Tuesday—Africa and Madagascar; Wednesday—India, Burma, and Ceylon, and the little known but needy countries of Nepal, Afghanistan, and Baluchistan. On Thursday the needs of China, Japan, French Indo-China, Tibet, Korea, Manchuria, and Mongolia are prayed for; Friday—Europe, the Near East, and the Jews; Saturday—Alaska, Labrador, Canada, and the United States; Sunday—the Netherlands East Indies, the Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, the Malay Peninsula, the Pacific Islands and the school Gospel Teams.

The deep concern on the hearts of the students at the Prayer Meetings is the appalling need of the world. The fervent prayer of the students each evening is that the Lord will thrust forth laborers into the fields of the world. The fields are ripe unto harvest, ready to yield precious souls. These souls need to turn from their present darkness to the glorious Gospel light of Jesus Christ, the Lord and Saviour of the world.

The Lord honors the prayers of His children and blesses the fields and people prayed for; of this the students are confident, for He has promised to do so. Not only that, but those who pray also realize enrichment in their own spiritual lives. The Lord has blessed those who have prayed, drawing close to them in sweet fellowship as they have carried a burden for those bound by the chains of sin and death.

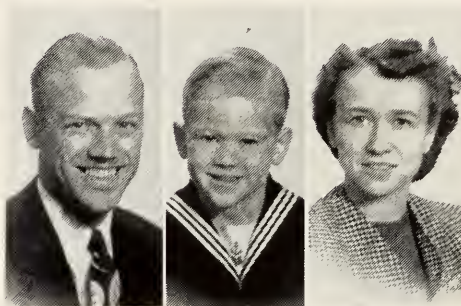


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Rev. D. F. Siemens
At the Home Base

"B. I." in '45 The Field in '46



Mr. and Mrs. Don Kelly and Pat
Sierra Leone, Africa
Missionary Church Association



Leona Lehner
Ecuador, S. A.
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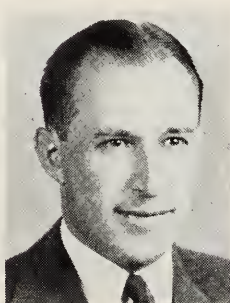
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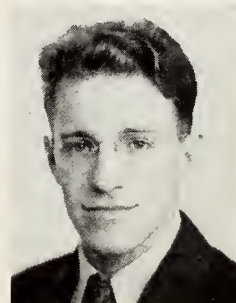
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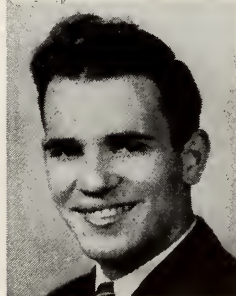
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Our Missionary



The Students' Mission Band assumed the full support of Miss Leona Lehner as their missionary this year. Miss Lehner, former Dean of Women, is now laboring at Esmeraldas, Ecuador, South America. She left Miami, Florida, on July 18, 1945, arriving at Esmeraldas on August 12, there to begin language study and active work immediately. She is working both with the Cayapa Indians and the Negroes of the area, teaching a young ladies' Sunday School class, and doing children's work.

The people with whom Miss Lehner labors, their homes, their mode of travel, the local congregation, and a baptismal service are all pictured above. Pray for our missionary as she willingly serves in Ecuador, that many souls might find Him through her labor of love for her Master.



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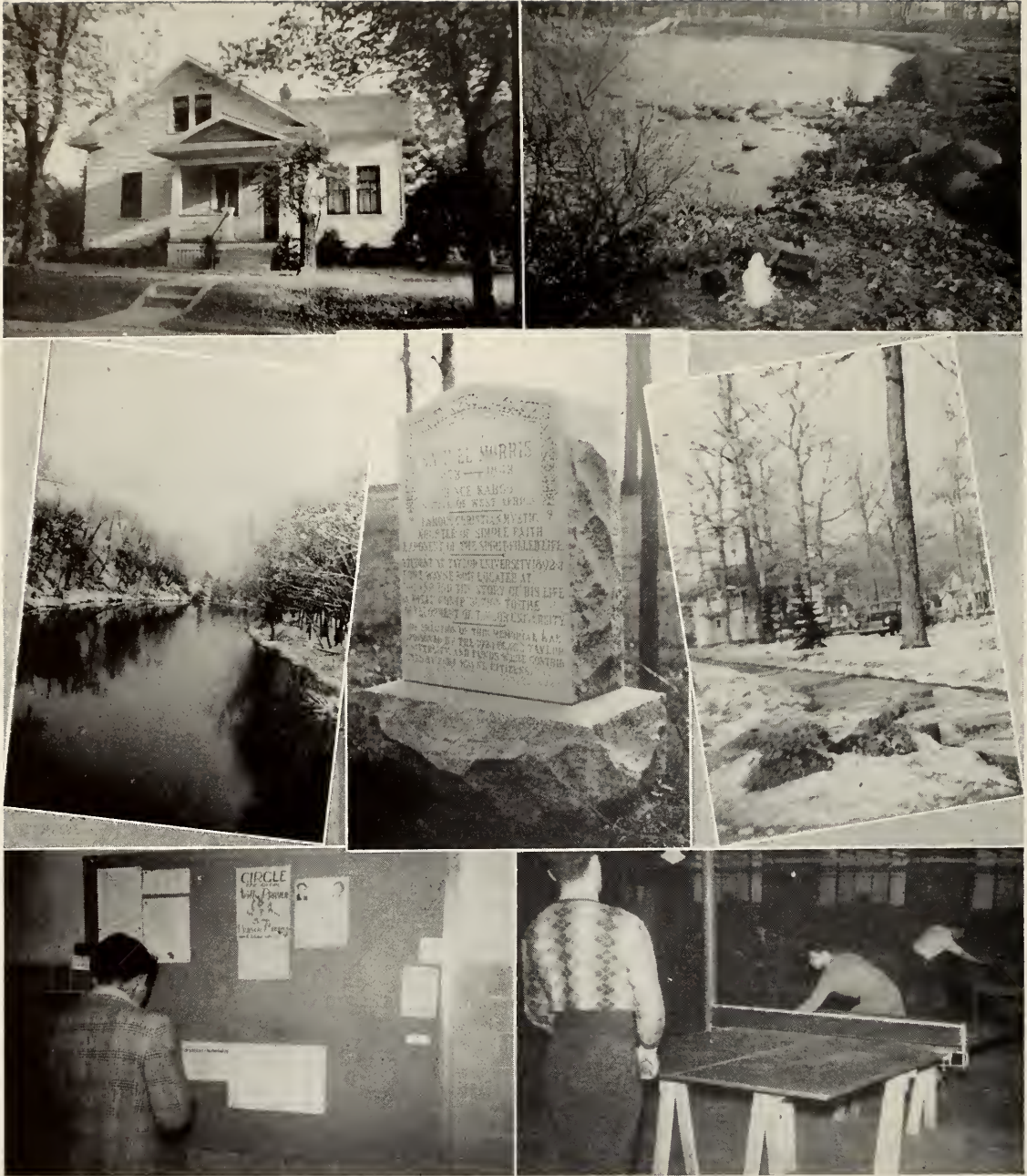


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Since part of life is social and physical, training for service must cover these realms as well as other realms. To be of best service to God, the students must keep their physical bodies in good condition. This they accomplish through the physical education program of the school. In one's daily walk he meets many people in varied activities. In the dining room or walking between buildings, on campus cleanup day, moving day, or just any day, life is enriched by associations. All of these associations help to prepare the Christian for his life of service, for one must live among people in order to love them.

Life itself is the greatest teacher of mankind, and students praise the Lord for the power of God in their lives which enables them to live above reproach. To God be the glory for the victorious life in Christ daily, as the students are training for "Launching Out for Christ."



Our Campus

The Park



Providence Hall



Under God's



Toward the close of the last school year, it became evident that the prospective enrollment for this year could not possibly be accommodated unless there was provision made for additional dormitory room. The possibilities of several plans were explored, and it was finally agreed that a dormitory that could be constructed quickly with considerable student labor was the only possible solution. After considering several plans, it was decided to build a two-story "L shaped" building, using as much non-critical material as possible.

Under God's good providence, the work progressed rapidly and many impossibilities became possibilities. As a result Providence Hall was put into use on the eighteenth of December, a new building with thirty-five dormitory rooms, a reception room, two bath rooms, and laundry and furnace rooms. The building is heated by a gas burning, hot water furnace and the water for its laundry and bathrooms is heated by automatic electric water heaters.

An impressive dedication service was held in Founders Memorial Chapel on Sunday, January the thirteenth, with J. Francis Chase of Chicago giving the dedicatory address. The girls occupying the building had made preparations for open house. The building (as pictured above) was soon filled to capacity with interested visitors, who praised the Lord for His miraculous working in bringing this building into existence.

Providence

The Course



in Humility



Our Brothers



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Family Life



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Our Supervisors





Our Yesterdays

SEPTEMBER

- 11, Tues. Returning students register. Mr. Witmer is formally inaugurated as President of "B. I."
- 12, Wed. New students register.
Rev. Mark Burgess begins "opening services."
- 13, Thurs. Our annual "get-acquainted" picnic, held in Foster Park, climaxes Orientation Day.
- 14, Fri. Classes begin. First Mission Band service of the year. Rev. Burgess brings a message based on Acts 1:8.
- 17, Mon. Rev. John Henry Woodward brings the chapel message—"Desire, decision, and determination."
- 18, Tues. A crash, a scream, and a crowd! The light fixture in the Ad Building fell down.
- 21, Fri. Rev. Clyde Taylor, Foreign Secretary of the National Association of Evangelicals, presents to us the practical side of the life of a missionary.
- 22, Sat. Happy birthday, Mother Ramseyer! A program is given in her honor in the after-supper devotions.
- 26, Wed. The whole school is out-of-doors at "S. P." time to give Glenn McHattan a good send-off on his first date of the year.
First Senior Class meeting. Class officers and faculty advisor for the Light Tower are elected.
- 28, Fri. In Mission Band, Rev. D. F. Siemens gives an interesting account of the events which followed the close of school last spring, namely, the arrival on the field of the Dominican and Ecuadorean missionaries.

OCTOBER

- 2, Tues. A dorm full of girls meets this evening for their first dorm meeting.
- 5, Fri. Rev. Carl Volstad, missionary to Peru and Chile, addresses the Mission Band.
- 8, Mon. A wonderful day of prayer. Dinner is postponed a few minutes in favor of testimonies. Rev. Volstad brings the message: "Study to be quiet."
- 12, Fri. A hymn sing in chapel.
Rev. Waldo Schindler shows in Mission Band service pictures of the work in the Gabon, French Equatorial Africa.
- 13, Sat. Happy engagement to you! Congratulations to Cash! Yes, Kathleen receives a diamond from Lyndell today. Is the 13th an unlucky day? Ask Kathleen.
- 14, Sun. Students again announce our Youth Conference in the churches of the city.
- 15, Mon. After explaining about unshrunk cloth, Mrs. Smith asks if we know what a patch upon patch and a hole in the middle is. Imagine telling riddles in Greek class.
- 16, Tues. Mr. Steiner says in chorus tonight that we need more cash. Everyone looks at Kathleen significantly.
- 17, Wed. Dr. W. H. Simmons, of Simpson, Kansas, noted lecturer, gives special illustrated lecture on "Science and the Bible."
- 18, Thurs. Lecture continued in chapel today, "Geology and the Bible."



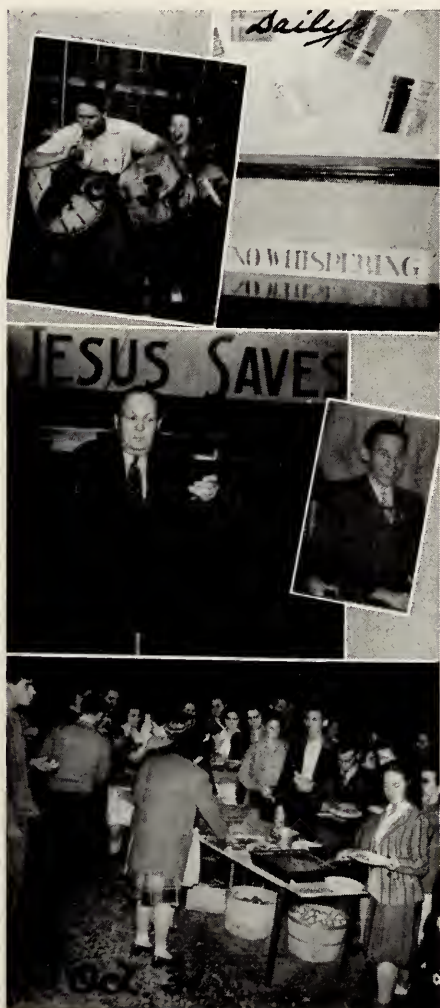
- 19, Fri. After much hard work and earnest prayer, the Youth Conference begins with Rev. Elmer Piper, evangelist, Rev. D. L. Niswander, song leader, and Rev. Walter Arnold, missionary speaker.
- 20, Sat. Youth Conference continues with discussion groups, missionary and evangelistic services.
- 21, Sun. The blessing of God rests upon the closing services of the Youth Conference this afternoon and evening.
- 22, Mon. The 1945 Youth Conference Committee has its final meeting tonight. The 1946 committee is elected.
- We form a big circle around the dining hall in devotions tonight for the first time this year, and many students testify.
- 26, Fri. Rev. Burgess speaks again in chapel. He requests prayer for himself the next week-end, for Mr. Witmer will be in his church to preach. Miss Luella Landrey speaks in Mission Band. She and Frank Deninger give an interesting demonstration of how a missionary does personal work with a Mohammedan teacher.
- 30, Tues. The Senior class meets to choose a class motto. The boys have a good time keeping the Hallowe'eners from having too good a time.
- 31, Wed. "Big Fred" Ingersoll speaks in chapel.

At 3:00 P. M. students and dignified professors clutter the campus. At 5:00 P. M. the campus is uncluttered and we all enjoy an out-of-door's supper.

Mr. Steiner plays a Hallowe'en prank tonight. He gives——— a big turnip with this note attached, "I'm only a turnip head, but want to sing." The day is climaxed with a violin concert of sacred music by Al Zahlout.

NOVEMBER

- 2, Fri. Dr. Clem Hirschy shows pictures of Alaska in Mission Band. He also plays an accordion solo and introduces the chorus, "I'm in Love with Jesus."
- 5, Mon. Mr. Leightner brings the chapel message—"Putting on the Whole Armour of God."
- 6, Tues. The Senior class meets tonight to nominate probable commencement speakers.
- 7, Wed. The first Fireside Meeting of the year. The theme of the program is "The Name of Jesus." How precious that name is to us.
- 8, Thurs. Mid-Term—our testing time.
- Dr. Jaderquist speaks in after supper devotions on Matt. 11:28-30.
- 9, Fri. Rev. Hahn shows pictures of India in Mission Band tonight.
- 12, Mon. Magary directs the chorus for a short time tonight and says, "Now all the tenors and men sing."
- In speaking about Rotherham's translation in Apologetics class, Mr. Witmer makes a remark about a pony. Uninformed students think he is making uncomplimentary remarks about a certain member of the class.
- 13, Tues. The Lord showers blessings upon us in our monthly day of prayer.
- 14, Wed. Mr. Witmer takes time to explain the meaning of pony as he used it in Apologetics class on Monday.



- 15, Thurs. The music faculty gives a "swell" recital.
- 16, Fri. Rev. Paul Bartel challenges us with the great need of China. He said that in this day of specialization, we must be specially trained for our special calling.
- 17, Sat. Pres. Witmer, Prof. Steiner, and five Gospel Teams go to Lima for a Youth for Christ rally.
- 21, Wed. Classes are shortened and everyone is excited—Thanksgiving vacation begins.
- 27, Tues. Vacation is over and we **try** to get back in the swing of studying again.
- 28, Wed. Paul Erdel wins first prize in the "Bible Vision" contest.
- 30, Fri. Dr. Walter Williams speaks in Mission Band on the subject, "The Great Commission of Christ Today."

DECEMBER

- 1, Sat. Four Gospel Teams and Mr. Witmer go to Indianapolis to participate in the Youth for Christ service there.
- 5, Wed. Miss Minnie Hilty, missionary to China, speaks in chapel today.
- 7, Fri. We join the First Missionary Church tonight in their missionary convention. Miss Prudence Gerber from Africa speaks.
- 9, Sun. A four-alarm fire (false alarm). Clare Tosch wonders how to work the fire alarm over on the street corner. Several fire trucks and the police come, and Clare makes a confession.
- 10, Mon. MONDAY!! MONDAY!! Our eyes are opened in chapel. We are told about this "stupendous, colossal, gigantic, breath-taking 'super globnoxious' LIGHT TOWER." The B. I. family is enlarged. Mr. Huffman is the proud father of a baby boy.
- 12, Wed. We have a time of real heart searching, confessing to God, victory, and blessing in our monthly day of prayer. Seniors enjoy a social class meeting. Cash impersonates Balaam more effectively than he anticipated.
- 14, Fri. Rev. Andrew Losier presents in chapel and Mission Band the great need among the tribes of Kenya Colony, Africa.
- 16, Sun. Our hearts are warmed as we sing "King of Kings and Lord of Lords, forever and ever."
- 18, Tues. The long anticipated day is here. The girls move out of the barracks into the new dorm.
- 19, Wed. A number of students go carolling. They are rewarded with doughnuts and hot cocoa, and warmed hearts.
- 21, Fri. The last day of school this year. We enjoy an interesting chapel program featuring carols.

JANUARY

- 3, Thurs. School begins. Mr. Gerig brings an appropriate chapel message—"In the beginning, God."
- 4, Fri. Miss Helen Zernov, born and educated in Russia and now working among her own people in Wisconsin, speaks in Mission Band—"Give ye them to eat."
- 5, Sat. Apologetics and ancient history students get up early to leave at 6:00 A. M. for Ann Arbor, Michigan. They have an interesting, enjoyable, and profitable visit to the University of Michigan Museum and campus.



- 7, Mon. Miss Rothfuss takes over.
- 8, Tues. Mr. Witmer brings a very practical message in chapel—household duties should be done as unto the Lord.
- 11, Fri. Rev. George Hewitt, an M. C. A. evangelist, speaks in chapel—"We have a high calling as ambassadors for Christ."
- Rev. Cecil Fletcher shows pictures in Mission Band, depicting his work in South America.
- 13, Sun. Open house and dedication service for the new dormitory.
- 14, Mon. The Mission Band officers are elected for the new semester.
- 18, Fri. Exams begin. We are deeply stirred as Rev. R. E. Bressler tells us of his work among the Mohammedans.
- 23, Wed. Some Seniors give a big sigh of relief after taking their last final exams (they hope) at B. I.
- 24, Thurs. Rev. Forest Kuhn brings a heart searching message during our day of prayer. The prayer meeting continues into the afternoon.
- 25, Fri. Before daybreak students begin forming a line in the Ad Building. It is Registration Day! The new officers take charge in Mission Band. Kenneth Rupp speaks.
- 28, Mon. Our rest (?) between semesters is over and classes begin.
- 29, Tues. Rev. Malcom Cronk of Grand Rapids, Michigan, gives messages in opening school services.
- 30, Wed. Everyone is excited about a prowler—the man with a plank.

FEBRUARY

- 1, Fri. Opening school services come to an end. We have received blessing from Rev. Cronk's messages from the Word.
- 4, Mon. The most popular subject—nylons.
- 6, Wed. Piano and voice students give a recital.
- 8, Fri. Five G. I.'s—Clarence Fair, Walter Johnson, Harold Crall, Daniel Vaccarelli, and Royal Steiner, present the need of the various fields in which they were located while in the service.
- 10, Sun. The Petticord Evangelistic Party begins two weeks of revival meetings at the "Church across the street."
- 11, Mon. Gordon Aupperle goes snipe-hunting. "Here, Snipe; Here Snipe."
- 12, Tues. Several students take fellows snipe-hunting, and get left holding the bag.
- THE "LIGHT TOWER" GOES TO PRESS to come back on time.

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We Anticipate:

- 26, Sun., 7:30 p. m. The Baccalaureate Service with Rev. Jared F. Gerig, our Dean, giving the address.
- 27, Mon., 7:30 p. m. The Senior Class Program, last word from the graduates.
- 28, Tues., 8:00 p. m. The student concert. A great musical feast.
- 29, Wed., 6:00 p. m. The Fellowship Circle Banquet, our annual alumni meeting and dinner.
- 30, Thurs., 10:30 a. m. The Commencement exercises with Rev. John C. Wengatz, a missionary to the interior of Africa, bringing the address.



Our Alumni Organization



Perhaps every College and Bible Institute has an alumni organization whereby friendships and ties formed in student days are kept a-glow. The Fort Wayne Bible Institute is no exception to the rule. In the early years of her existence such an organization was begun and today bears the name of "The Fellowship Circle." "Truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ" (I John 1:3). At the present time its fellowship is encircling the globe with members serving the Master in all parts of the world.

At least once a year each member is contacted by a letter from the president. Executive committee meetings are held twice a year at which time projects are planned and presented to the Circle members at the annual meeting. As a part of the Institute commencement week program a Fellowship Circle Dinner is held in the Institute dining room. Many members who do not find it possible to visit their Alma Mater at any other time of the year attend this event. An interesting program is arranged and as a special feature representatives of each ten-year graduating class give some recent word about members of that class.

God has made The Fellowship Circle an organization of untold blessing to its members in the years past, and we are looking to Him to continue to do so until Jesus comes.

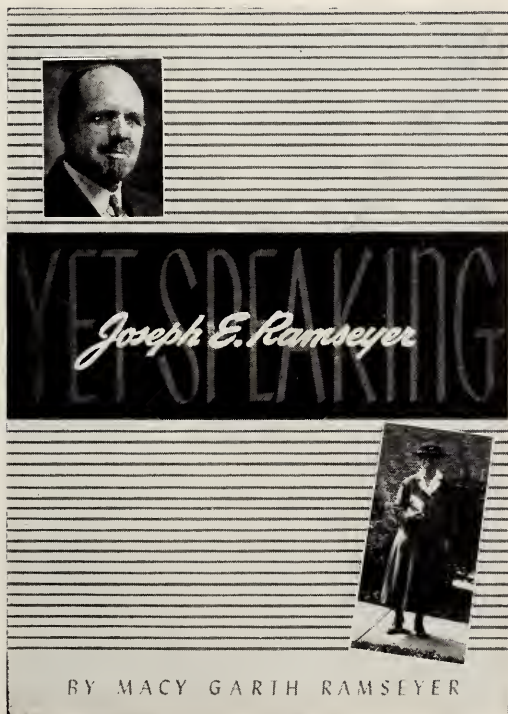


Ramseyer Memorials

Great Christians live on in influence long after their voices are silenced. Stone and mortar, pen and ink are not needed to keep these men alive in the minds of their fellows, though these do serve to quicken and add color to the memory of such men. Rev. J. E. Ramseyer, one of the founders of the Bible Institute, was one of these unforgettable Christians.

The Missionary Church Association is planning to build a structure to be used in part as offices and bookstore for the Association and the Bible Institute. The latest plans (pictured above) show a very picturesque building, one that will do much to add to the beauty of the vicinity of South Wayne Avenue and Rudisill Boulevard. The building is to be a memorial to the life of Rev. J. E. Ramseyer, one of the founders of the Association. "Daddy" Ramseyer stood firm through many trials over the years, and this building will stand through many storms as God's reminder to succeeding generations of Christians that He is able to produce "great men of God."

Mrs. J. E. Ramseyer, his wife, has given to posterity the life story of this great man of God. In the book "Joseph E. Ramseyer, Yet Speaking," she has preserved the marvelous account of his life and the inspiration of his messages. She is pictured at the left holding a first copy of the book.



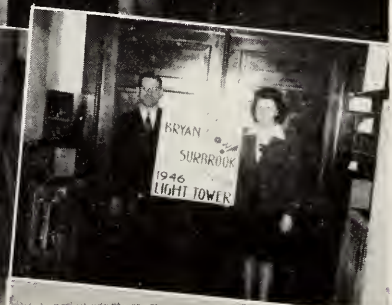
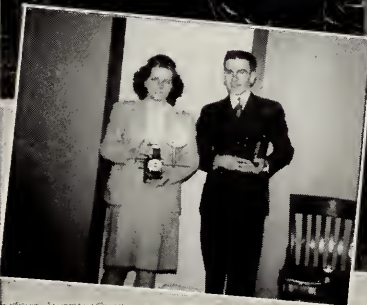


Our "Gym" Classes

The Christian's body is "the Temple of the Holy Ghost." Realizing this, the students desire to be at their best for Him. Since exercise is the only key that will unlock the door to physical fitness, the fellows and girls each gather in the gymnasium twice a week for calisthenics and competitive games.

The girls are directed by Jane Bedsworth and the men by "Bob" Weber, to the tune of "one, two, three, four; one two, . . . etc.," or to the tune of the referee's whistle. They find, to the glory of God, that the physical education program keeps everyone better physically, enabling them to labor more efficiently in the service of the Lord.

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Pictures, pencils, rulers, rubber cement, dunnny layouts, etc., etc., are spread out upon the tables. The "Light Tower" is being put together. After innumerable hours of working late and early, it goes to press, and we sit back and relax. But even this relaxing is not for long, for proofs must be read and other items of business taken care of later. But we enjoy every bit of the work, even in spite of tired bodies, for it is all done unto the Lord and for His glory.

As a staff, our sole aim is to bring glory to God through the portraying of life at "B. I." We have tried to give a clear and fair portrayal of campus activities, for to put too much emphasis on any one phase of life would be to deceive. Study and activities, worship and service, personnel and materiel are all described verbally or pictured here. As the "Light Tower" goes forth, we pray that it may be used to bless souls, drawing them nearer to God. We pray also that it might be used of God to give to some a vision of the terrible condition of the lost, a burning desire to help them, and a call to service. May it be the means of strengthening many, resulting in their "Launching Out For Christ."



They Helped Greatly



The accomplishing of a large and difficult task is possible only through the co-operation of all persons involved. The publishing of the 1946 "Light Tower" has upheld this principle, for the staff and a number of business men have worked together successfully to the glory of God.

As the staff, we wish to express our appreciation to several of these men. To Mr. Gerald Coffman of the Erwin Studio, to Mr. Virgil Montague of the Fort Wayne Engraving Company, to Mr. C. H. Muselman of the Economy Printing Concern, and to Mr. Walter W. Neuman of the Neuman Studio, the staff says: "We thank you for your patience, suggestions, and assistance, for without these we would have been greatly handicapped. Again we say, 'thank you.'"

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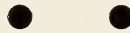
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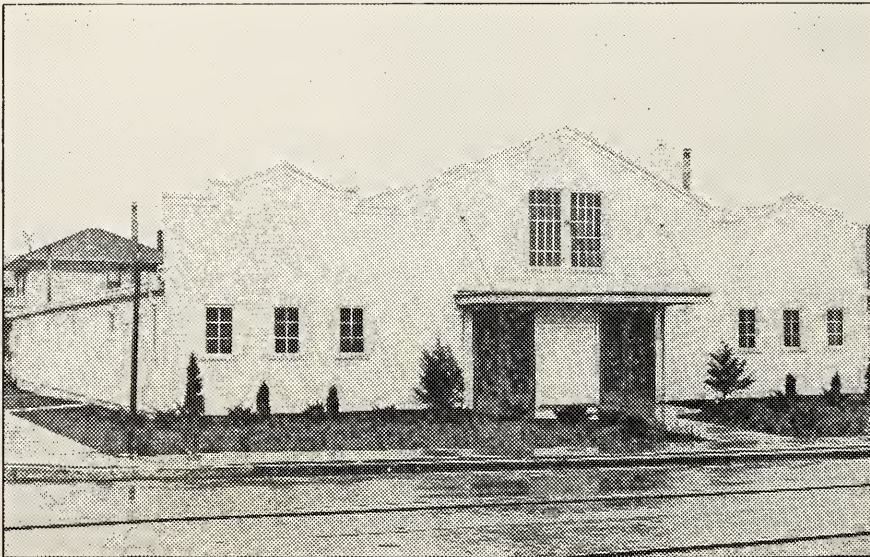


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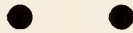
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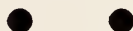
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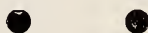
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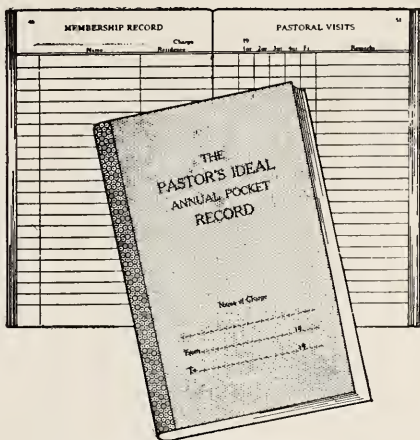
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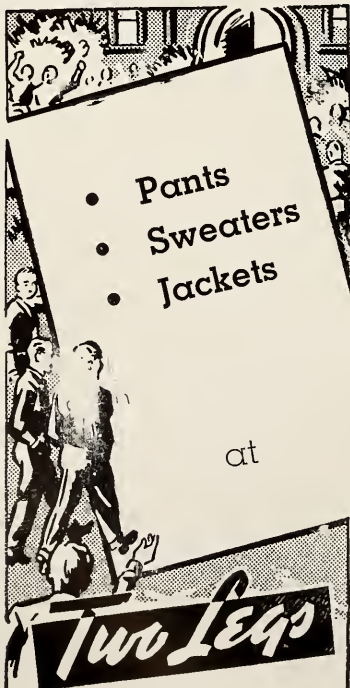
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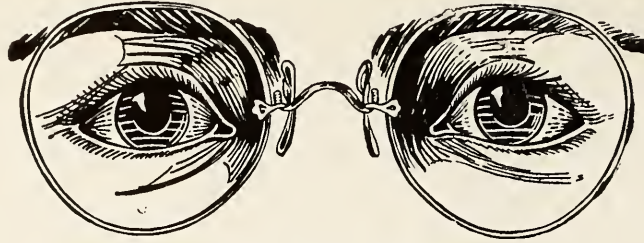
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